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of Agriculture the responsibility for assisting in "developing and carrying out plans for a program of land conservation and utilization...". The Soil Conservation Service has been assigned leadership responsibility by the Department.

The Upper Willamette RC&D Project is a four-county area of Oregon (Benton, Lane, Lincoln, Linn) in which people have decided to do something about problems involving wise use of their resources. Goals include recreation; watershed protection; new industries; improved markets for crops, livestock and forest products; and land use planning assistance. State and federal agencies have offered their full cooperation in the effort—BUT local people form the motivating force behind the project.

Acknowledgement

The Project Sponsors support land use planning at all levels recognizing the need to efficiently and effectively use our resources for the benefit of all concerned.

The Sponsors also realize that effective land use planning is accomplished by involvement of citizens and the use of resource agencies who can supply the needed technical and professional assistance.

Many groups and individuals throughout Oregon have become increasingly concerned about the future of our resources and the quality of environment. In response to this concern, the 1969 session of the State Legislature enacted Senate Bill 10 which in effect directs each city and county to develop a comprehensive land use plan and adopt zoning regulations by December 1971.

These objectives and concerns supply the purposes of this document which are to:

- 1. Encourage land use planning in both incorporated and unincorporated communities in the Project Area.
- 2. Provide the community with a method of analyzing their assets and liabilities.
- 3. Supply certain basic resource information to provide alternatives in decision making.
- 4. Point out resource agencies and individuals and to encourage the use of these resources.

We hope the following information will be of value to you and your community in solving immediate problems and in taking advantage of resource opportunities.

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W. G. Nash, President Upper Willamette RC&D Project

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WHY SHOULD WE PLAN?

We should plan

*to meet EXPECTED change

*to produce DESIRED change

*to prevent UNDESIRABLE change

Wise use of our valuable land and water resources depends on sound planning. If we are to establish and carry out a program which will give maximum benefits at a minimum cost, if we are to make intelligent decisions regarding use of our resources, we need to use planning as a tool to guide future growth and development.

PLANNING - A THREE-STEP OPERATION

Planning for a community is somewhat like planning to build a home. Our homes, as we all know, are designed so that certain areas or zones have specific functions or uses. The needs and practical desires of the family, now and in the future, determine this design. The community can develop on this same basis—minimizing conflicts of use and creating an efficient and desirable environment in which to live.

Developing a <u>comprehensive plan</u>* is basically a three-step operation. A quotation from Herbert H. Smith's, "The Citizens Guide to Planning," perhaps best describes the process of planning:

"In order to accomplish a plan, a community usually follows a three-step operation. First, an inventory is taken of the community's assets and liabilitiesin the broadest sense. In other words, the community takes stock of itself and analyzes the facts that it The second step is the determination of the needs and desires of the community, based upon existing conditions and the community's potential. At this stage, the community should establish as goals the elements which it feels necessary for sound growth and community life. The final step is the formulation of a program to meet the needs and attain the desires which have been established, keeping in mind the community's ability to finance the necessary or desired improvements. Simply stated, the community determines how to get what it wants and needs, beginning with whatever it already has."

^{*}A <u>Comprehensive Plan</u> is a plan for the development of an area including policies, goals, and interrelated plans for private and public land use, transportation systems, community facilities, and all other elements and features that in composite represent the decisions of local people.

A more specific outline of what is contained in each of the three steps of a comprehensive planning program is as follows:

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1. Background Studies (existing situation)

*Base Maps
Population
Economy
Housing

*Physical Characteristics

*Land Use

Land Use:

Community Facilities (parks, water and sewer systems,

schools, etc.)

Transportation

2. <u>Comprehensive Plan</u> (determination of needs)

Agricultural

Commercial Industrial Residential

Public

Recreational

Sewers

Water

Community Facilities: Schools

Parks

Fire Stations Libraries

Automobile

Transportation:

Rail Air Water

3. Plan Implementation (program to meet needs)

Zoning
Subdivision Regulations
Capital Improvement Programs
Other Regulations
Public Information

A significant part of the total planning program is that of <u>citizen participation</u>. The implementation of any plan depends upon its acceptance by the people for which the plan is being prepared. Any planning group, whether an established Planning Commission or a group of interested citizens is wise in consulting people in the community,

^{*}RC&D Staff available to assist.

asking for their opinions and suggestions. It is well-known that people who share in the planning of a program are more likely to support and take action towards implementing that program.

ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE THROUGH RC&D

Planning assistance available through the RC&D program provides basic resource information which reflects existing physical characteristics and conditions in the community. This information relates to the first step or background studies of the planning program. Assistance is also available to conduct surveys reflective of local attitudes which will help determine the priority needs and desires of the community. Development of project studies are coordinated with those agencies concerned with similar areas of interest (i.e. County Planning Commissions, Cooperative Extension Service, etc.).

Specifically, personnel are available to assist communities in the following areas:

- 1. Preparation of base maps (see page 11):
 - a. Generally, base maps at a scale of 1 inch = 400 feet or 1 inch = 200 feet will be adequate.
 - b. Topographic maps are available for specific project areas.
- 2. Studies of existing physical conditions:
 - a. Soils survey and interpretations (see page 12):

Includes a map of the different soils types and an explanation of how soils influence the land use development.

b. Water:

Flooding, drainage and storage—Reports will be prepared and alternative methods of solving particular problems will be suggested.

c. Climate:

Data on climate is available for most of the project area and in certain localities the Soil Conservation Service conducts extensive snow surveys.

d. Geology:

Communities may have deposits of minerals such as sand and gravel. Geologists are available to determine the nature and extent of these deposits. They

may also aid in locations of ground water supplies and report on underlying geological formations.

3. Land Use:

Knowledge of existing land use is important in understanding the community and planning for its future. Resources are available to assist the community in recording, on the base maps, the types and extent of the various land uses.

4. Community Attitude Surveys:

Knowledge of what residents feel are the priority needs of the community and how it should develop is important to any public or private decision-making group. Assistance is available to community groups to aid in the preparation of attitude surveys.

Perhaps the above information and assistance will satisfy the immediate needs of your community. However, if a comprehensive plan program is desired, we encourage communities to obtain the services of a professional planning consultant to complete the necessary background studies, develop a comprehensive plan, and proceed with implementation. We encourage you to contact your local or county planning commission (see list on page 9).

AGENCIES PROVIDING BASIC INFORMATION

Technical assistance from many sources, both public and private is available to gain a better understanding of the natural environment and alert the community to special problems or opportunities. Listed below are five areas of basic resource information indicating public agencies qualified to assist you:

1. BASE MAPS

a. Line Maps

Highway Division (Oregon Dept. of Transportation) County (Assessor and Engineer) Planning Departments Regional Councils of Government

b. Topography

Soil Conservation Service (SCS)
Highway Division (Oregon Dept. of Transportation)
U. S. Geological Survey
County (Surveyor or Dept. of Public Works)

c. Aerial Photographs

Soil Conservation Service (SCS)
Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service (ASCS)
Highway Division (Oregon Dept. of Transportation)
Corps of Engineers - Army Map Service
Dept. of Revenue (Western Timber Maint. Dist. offices)
County (Assessor and Engineer)
U. S. Forest Service
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

2. SOILS & INTERPRETATIONS

Soil Conservation Service (SCS)
County (Building & Sanitation)
Oregon State University (Soils Department)
Cooperative Extension Service

3. WATER

a. Flood & Drainage

Corps of Engineers
County (Engineer)
State Water Resources Board
Soil Conservation Service (SCS)
State Engineer
Oregon State University

b. Ground Water

State of Oregon Dept. of Geology U. S. Geological Survey State Engineer

c. Storage

Corps of Engineers Soil Conservation Service (SCS) Bureau of Reclamation State Engineer State Water Resources Board

d. Quality

Department of Environmental Quality Environmental Protection Agency

4. CLIMATE

National Weather Service Office U. S. Forest Service Soil Conservation Service (Snow surveys) Corps of Engineers

5. GEOLOGY

State of Oregon Dept. of Geology U. S. Geological Survey Soil Conservation Service (SCS) University of Oregon Oregon State University

You may wish to contact private firms to assist you in gathering the above resource information.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SERVICES

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has local offices providing services to individuals and groups for solving land use and water resource problems.

1. SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

Works principally through locally organized Soil and Water Conservation Districts. SCS provides to individual land owners, groups and communities basic resource data and services to help solve land and water problems. Examples of technical assistance include: conservation planning, soil surveys and interpretations, watershed planning and land treatment, design and cost-sharing on flood control, drainage, irrigation, and outdoor recreation development projects.

2. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

Encourages and conducts educational programs on land use planning, community development, economic feasibility,outdoor recreation, taxation, and natural resource management. Specialist assistance is available at the county and Oregon State University levels.

3. FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

Makes available RC&D and other loans for various community projects including recreation development. Also sewer and water grants and loans as well as housing loans are available to rural communities through FHA.

4. AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION & CONSERVATION SERVICE

Planning assistance is available in the form of photographic services and cost-sharing on agricultural lands for projects such as drainage and flood control.

5. U. S. FOREST SERVICE

Maps and photo services are available in areas contiguous or adjacent to national forests. Consultation on recreation,

transportation, industry and other aspects of land use planning may be very helpful.

HOW THE RC&D STAFF WILL WORK WITH YOU

- 1. When a request for assistance is received, our staff will meet with the community to discuss the particular problem or planning needs. If desired by the community, the staff along with local assistance will begin gathering necessary background information. To develop the most complete and up-to-date reports and to avoid duplication of effort, we will coordinate activities with the appropriate local and federal agencies.
- 2. The information gathered and decisions made by the community will be compiled into a written report. The report may be used to solve immediate problems or serve as a basis for further studies with the objectives of a complete comprehensive or master land use plan for community development. There is no charge for services provided by the RC&D staff. Nominal charges may be made for certain materials needed in completing the necessary studies.



Mayor Ron Paddock of Oakridge explaining the city flood control project funded by RC&D. scs PHOTO 7-3153-9

CAN WE BE OF ASSISTANCE TO YOU?

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Loyd A. (Swiss) Burnett, Project Coordinator

Clarence Parker, Community Development Specialist (Phone: 344-1623)

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<u>Lincoln SWCD</u> --

Mel Rigdon
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Phone: 265-2631

-- Linn Lane SWCD

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Harrisburg, Oregon 97446
Phone: 995-6641

-- North Lane SWCD

James Lockard P. O. Box 107 Junction City, Oregon 97448 Phone: 998-6300

-- Siuslaw SWCD

James Lockard P. O. Box 904 Florence, Oregon 97439 Phone: 997-3841

Upper Willamette SWCD --

Ralph Cleveland 954 13th Avenue West Eugene, Oregon 97402 Phone: 342-5141, Ext. 221

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE - Chairmen Agents

Benton County --

Harold Werth P. O. Box B

Corvallis, Oregon 97330

Phone: 752-7186

Lane County --

Steve Besse

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-- Lincoln County

Jack Gurton

225 W. Olive Street Newport, Oregon 97365

Phone: 265-5376

-- Linn County

O. E. Mikesell P. O. Box 765 Albany, Oregon 97321

Phone: 928-9323

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION - County Supervisors

Benton, Lincoln, Linn counties --

Jack Fellers 425 W. Second Street Albany, Oregon 97321

-- Lane County

Ivan Leroy Elam, Jr. P. O. Box 271

Eugene, Oregon 97401

Phone: 926-5811, Ext. 250 Phone: 342-5141, Ext. 310

COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENTS - Directors

Benton --

Virgil R. Adams 501 Madison Street Corvallis, Oregon 97330 Phone: 752-4292

-- Lincoln County

Lynn Steiger Courthouse Newport, Oregon 97365 Phone: 265-5341, Ext. 29

Lane --

Lee Miller 135 East Sixth Avenue Eugene, Oregon 97401 Phone: 342-1311, Ext. 231 -- Linn County

Richard Rauber Courthouse Albany, Oregon 97321 Phone: 926-9494

REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT - Executive Directors

Benton, Lincoln, Linn counties --

Marvin Gloege Oregon Dist. 4 COG 360 S. W. Avery Avenue Corvallis, Oregon 97330 Phone: 753-2624

-- Lane County

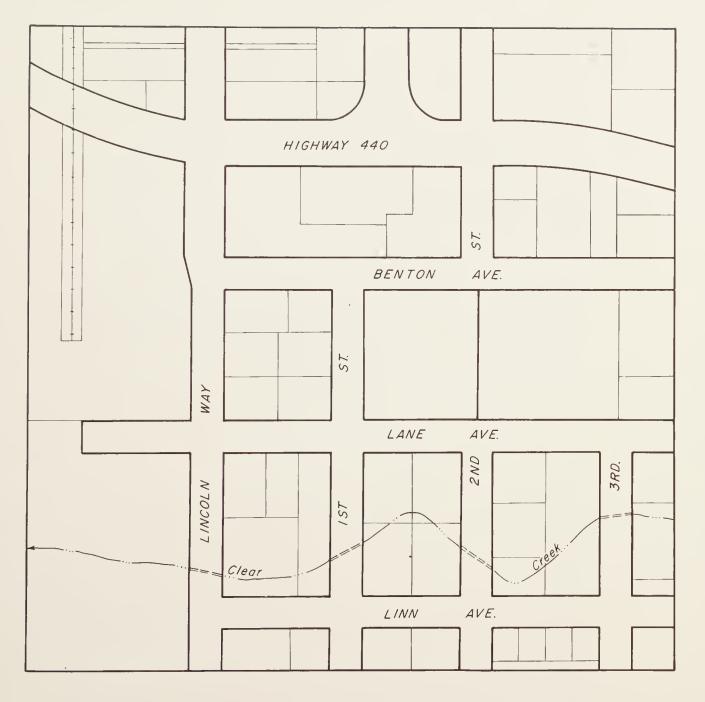
Larry Rice Lane Council of Governments 135 East Sixth Avenue Eugene, Oregon 97401 Phone: 342-1757



Ted Dietz, Lane County soil scientist, stressing the importance of soils information in making development decisions. This was a significant contribution to the Lane Coastal Planning Workshops.



Gather information before making important decisions!

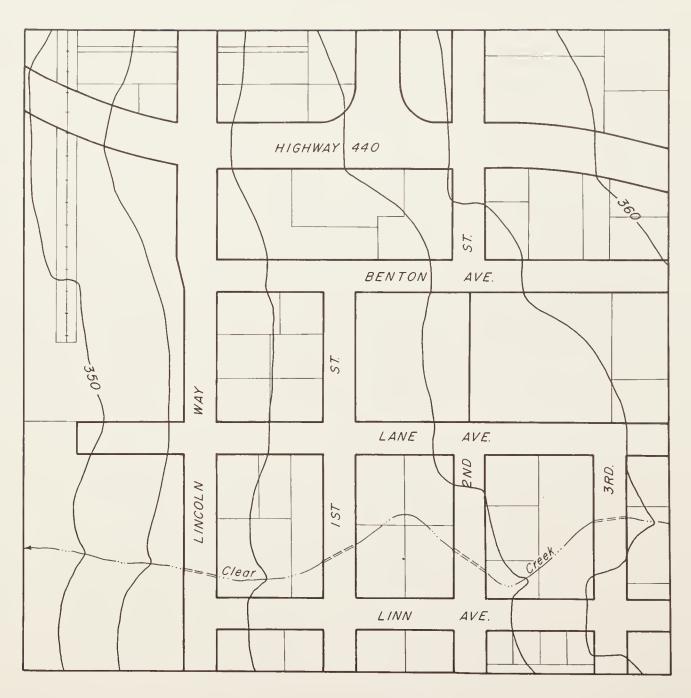




BASE MAP

CLEARWATER, OREGON



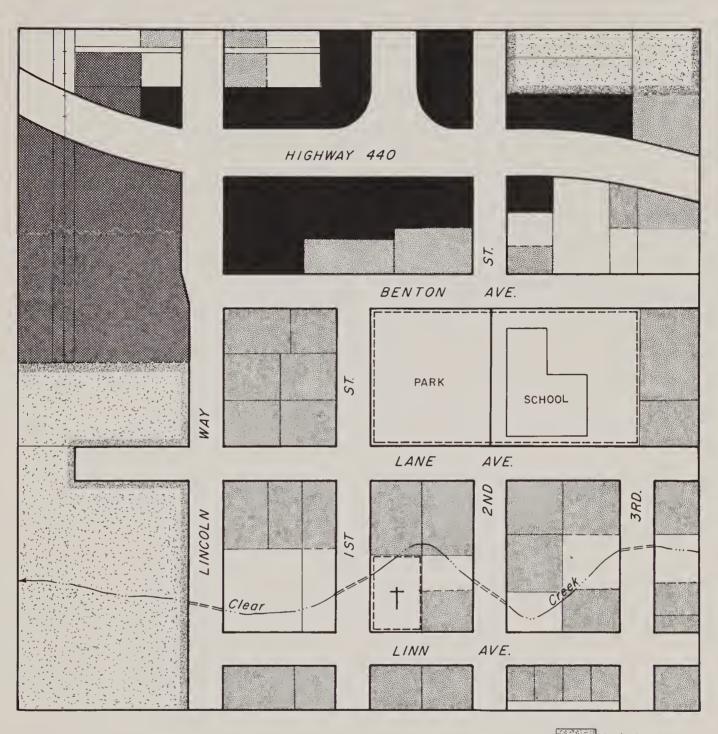




TOPOGRAPHY

CONTOUR INTERVAL 2 FEET CLEARWATER, OREGON





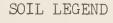




SOIL MAP - CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, LINN COUNTY, OREGON

for the City of Brownsville

Special Soil Survey Report



1A Camas, 0-3% slopes

10A Newberg, 0-3% slopes

30A Chehalis, 0-3% slopes

55A Conser, 0-3% slopes

76A Alluvial land, 0-3% slopes

120A Pengra, 1-4% slopes

260A Malabon, 0-3% slopes

200A Coburg, 0-3% slopes

280A Awbrey, 0-3% slopes

290A Salem, 0-3% slopes

300A Clackamas, 0-3% slopes

310A Courtney, 0-3% slopes

4690 Ritner, 3-12% slopes

474E Ritner, 12-30% slopes

4750 Panther, 2-12% slopes

520B Hazelair, 2-6% slopes

5210 Hazelair, 6-18% slopes

635C Crowfoot, 3-12% slopes

636D Crowfoot, 12-20% slopes

637E Crowfoot, 20-30% slopes

Map Symbols: Rock Quarry

Drainage

Dike or Levee

Gravel Pit · Private Road



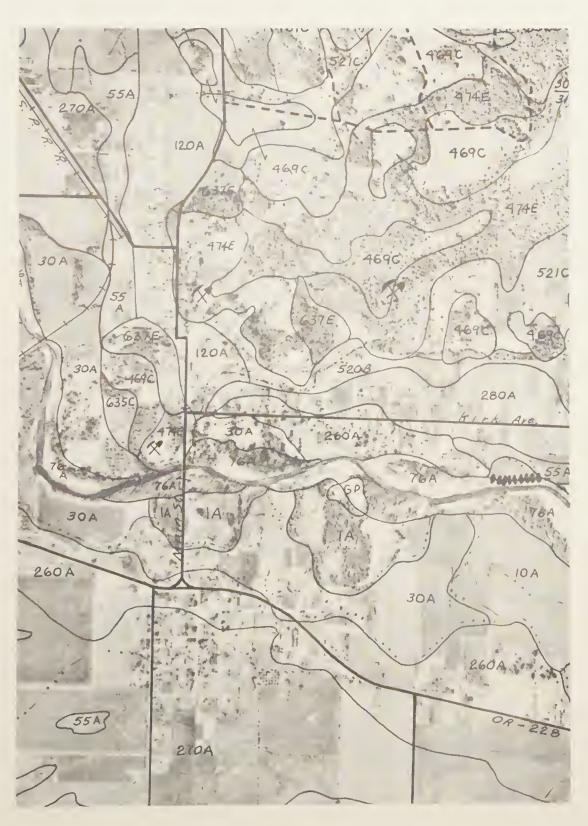
Scale: 1" = 1320'

Base Map: SCS 1963 Aerial Photo

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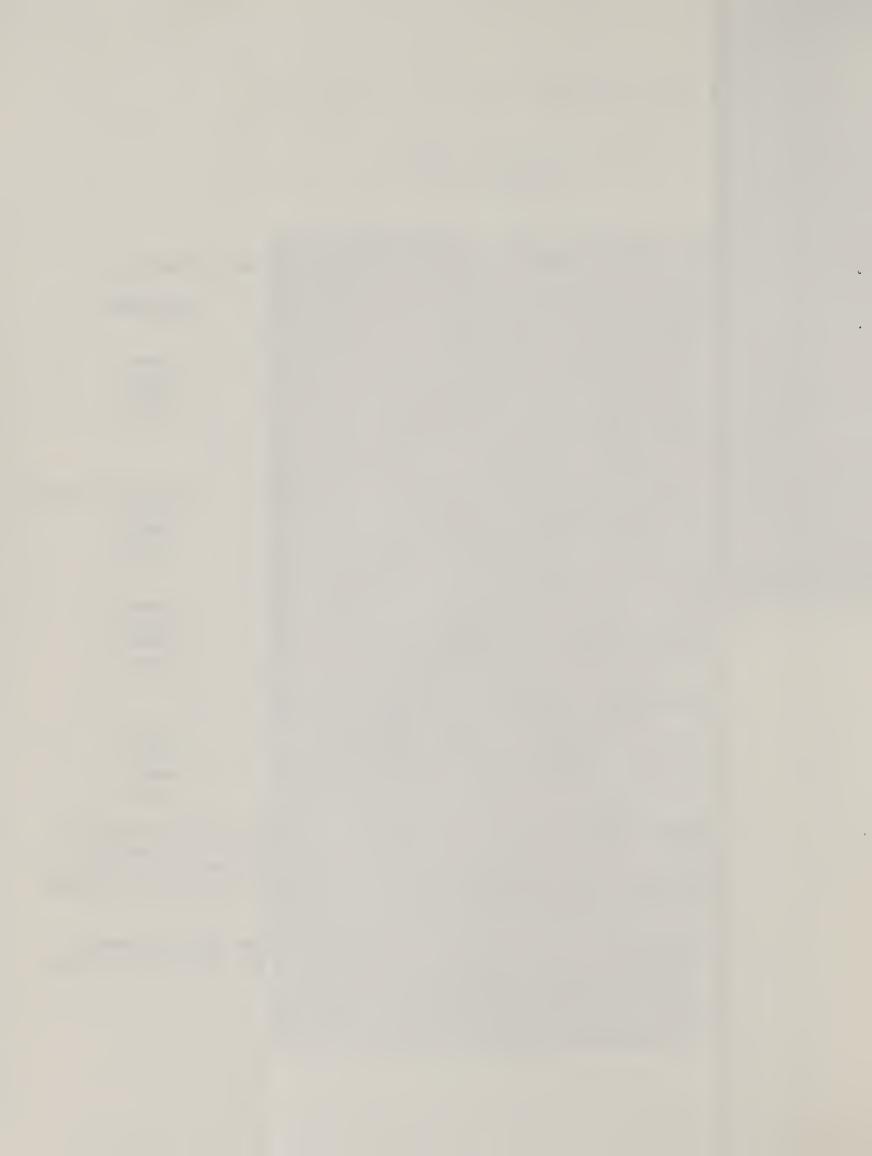
Soil Conservation Service In Cooperation with the Linn Lane Soil & Water Conservation District

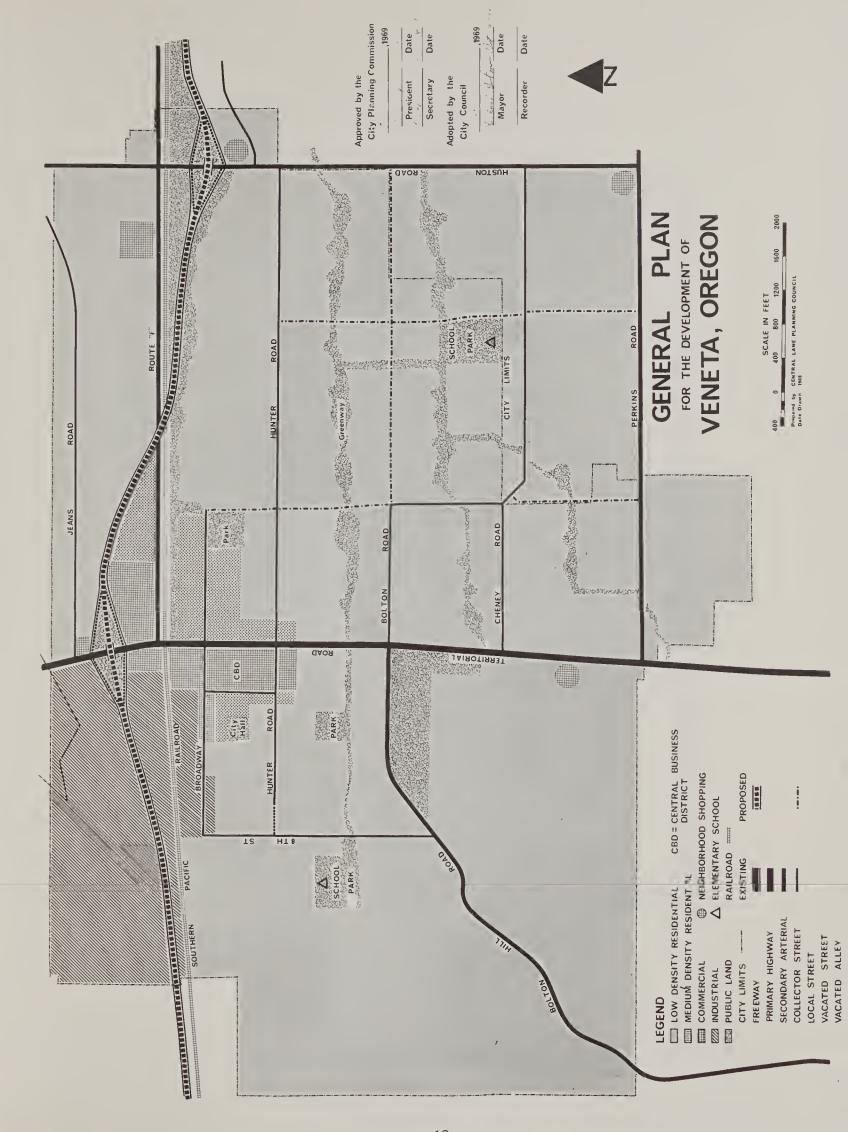


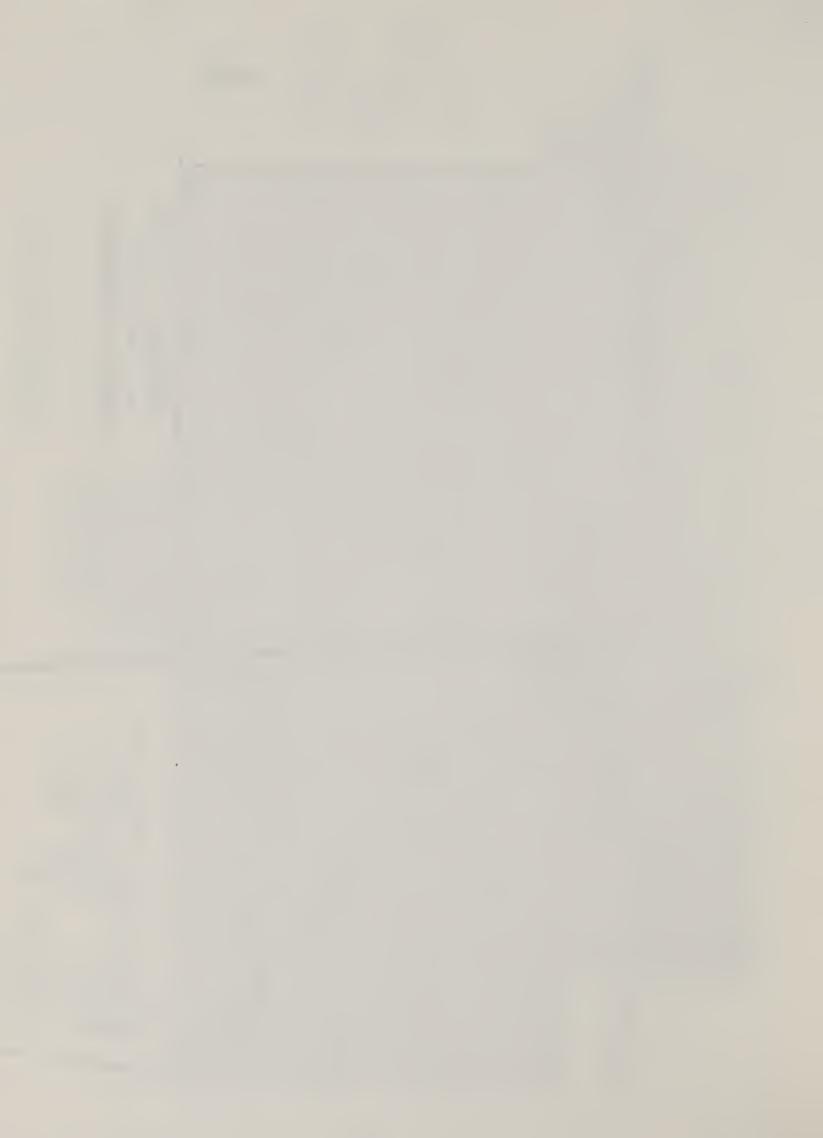
Examples of soil interpretations showing limitation ratings for selected land uses*:

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Foundations for			
Low Buildings	30A 260A 280A 469C		Severe Slight Severe Moderate
Septic Tank Sewage Disposal	30A 260A 280A 469C	Awbrey	Moderate to Sever Severe Severe Severe
Playgrounds	30A 260A 280A 469C	Malabon	Severe Moderate Severe Severe
Intensive Agriculture	30A 260A 280A 469C	Malabon Awbrey	Slight Slight Severe Severe

- * Soil limitation ratings have also been determined for numerous land uses not shown above. They include: highway location, pond reservoir areas, sewage lagoons, camp areas, many individual agricultural crops, woodland use, and others.
- ** Rated "severe" for most land uses due to flooding hazard. Without this hazard, the soil would be rated like Malabon (260A).







Program Community Planning

